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From the Californian, March 15, 1848:
The Liberty of the Press consists in the right to publish the Truth, with good motives and for justifiable ends. —Alexander Hamilton.

Thinking Out Loud

By H. M. L.

Under the title: "This Was Early San Francisco," one Christopher Stull gives a very interesting sketch in last Sunday's Chronicle of the recent Clamper celebration in San Francisco, during which a plaque was dedicated to that historical oddity, Emperor Norton I, whose mental vagaries pioneer San Franciscans humored and obeyed. It is a happy and kindly account of a Clamper holiday in San Francisco and on Treasure Island, except for one unfortunate paragraph, where for some reason the honey turns to poison and makes Nevada County's chapter of E. Clamps Vitus the black sheep of all the twelve or thirteen chapters of California. This is the paragraph that sticks out like a boil on the neck:

New Clampers ran into an unexpected and most unwelcome difficulty. The organization, being so loosely defined, centrally uncontrolled, non-dues collecting, and absolutely without the usual protections which safeguard other fraternal organizations, became the butt of an incident in the modern manner that threw further suspicion upon its name and did not seem particularly funny. In Grass Valley a chapter was formed which, independent of the other chapters, suddenly burst forth into vigilante activities that desecrated the time honored traditions of E Clampus Vitus. This it is which is responsible for the Ku Klux Klan and Fascist accusations. The incident has distressed considerably the other members of E Clampus Vitus, for, being unincorporated, they are without weapons to curb upstart organizations which take their name in vain.

In the first place the Nevada County chapter of E Clampus Vitus was not formed in Grass Valley. It was organized as the William Bull Meek chapter of Deer Creek Diggin's on April 2, 1938, in Nevada City's Armory hall. It was sponsored by the Rotary club and its 100 members were initiated by the Lord Sholto Douglas chapter of Auburn. It received its charter from the hands of Adam Lee Moore, Grand Clampatriarch of California, who came up from San Francisco to sign it. Present for the initiation and subsequent revels were Edgar Jessup, then Noble Grand Humbug of Yerba Buena Chapter, Leon Whitsell, Carl Wheat, and many other San Francisco Clampers and visitors. Several of the latter chose to be initiated into this chapter.

It was a great and glorious occasion but never a word was said about labor troubles, nor was there the slightest hint that any Fascist, Ku Klux Klan or so-called vigilante activity was contemplated. It was organized to revive the old horse play and pranks of a bygone time, and for its serious goal, to gather and preserve historical data and objects on the original scene of one of the early chapters of the order.

William Bull Meek chapter of the E Clampus Vitus met but twice. Once at its initiation and once last July when it assisted in putting on the Fourth celebration in Nevada City. At neither meeting was there even a mention made of current labor troubles. While Mr. Stull's article, in view of these facts, in so far as it pertains to the local chapter, sounds extremely like the pipe dream of a drunken reporter, we do not dismiss it so lightly.

Some year ago reporters in New York formed the delicately pinko organization known as the Guild under the fanatic leadership of Heywood Broun. It immediately became affiliated with the CIO and began the insidious process of tinting the news wherever opportunity offered, such as Mr. Stull found in his Chronicle article. The whole handling in the metropolitan press of Nevada County's collision with the CIO brethren of these news reporters, reflects the power they wield despite all protestations to the contrary. The CIO in Westwood and Redding, it will be noted, are always able to get the favorable press spot light in practically every account of events now transpiring, published in San Francisco newspapers.

The worst fears of those who opposed the Newspaper Guild are being realized. The deliberate libel upon the local chapter of E Clampus Vitus uttered by Mr. Stull in his Sunday Chronicle article is a fair instance of the power to falsify or to color the news exercised by the Guild when it establishes a closed shop in city news rooms. It would indeed require a hard boiled, Argus-eyed editor to pick out all the bias that these news writers inject into everything they write. We have 100 witnesses in Nevada County and many in San Francisco that Mr. Stull's calumny on Nevada County's Clampers has not the slightest relation to the truth. These witnesses include, merchants, mine owners, miners, mine engineers, bankers, newspaper owners, ranchers and men from every walk of life. But not one of them will be able to overtake the falsehoods published by Mr. Stull and his fraternal pinkos.

FIRE RAVAGES 1600 LEVEL OF SPANISH MINE

Miners appearing at the Spanish mine north of Washington at six o'clock Monday evening to go on shift noted the electricity off and upon investigation found a raging fire in the shaft. The fire had started on the 1600 foot level or bottom level in the mine, in a mile long tunnel. It happened between shifts and the miners fought the blaze steadily with water for five hours many of them remaining at the mine all night. How the fire started is a mystery to everyone as it occurred between shifts from 3 a. m. to 6 p. m.

Miners went to the 1,000 foot level and attempted to work but were driven out by the smoke. Damages are quite extensive as it is known that two 500 horsepower motors and three sets or 15 feet of timbering in the shaft were burned.

Forty men are employed at the property under Superintendent Douglass Ripple. Luckily men were not working in the mine when the fire started, as it would undoubtedly have produced another big disaster.

All ore is being mined at the lower property where it is reported good grade milling rock has been opened up in a recent development. It is likely the shaft at the lower property will be closed indefinitely or until the company can get the shaft and machinery reconditioned.

The company mined at an upper property for several years bringing all ore down over a tramway which was about three miles long, the ore going directly to the 80 ton mill.

HI SCHOOL SKI CLUB TO ENTER CISCO MEET

The Nevada City high school ski club met yesterday afternoon and selected students who will practice next Saturday for the big inter-ski meet on the Cisco ski course Saturday, March 18. The group consists of Miss Betty Smith, Walter St. John, Dave McCraney, Eddie Doolittle, Dick Gregory, Donald Odgers and Warren Smith. Mr. Hobbie, on the local high school staff, acts as advisor to the club. They will go to the Omega mine district next Saturday to practice skiing in preparation for the inter ski meet to be held at Cisco Saturday, March 18.

NATURE STUDY STATE CHAIRMAN AT CIVIC CLUB

Mrs. J. A. Silver, state chairman of nature study of the Federated Women's Clubs of California, will be the guest speaker of the Nevada City Women's City Club at its regular meeting Monday night, March 13, Mrs. Silva, a great student and lover of nature is a most interesting speaker and in an informal way will discuss several aspects of the beauty and wonders about us. Because of the interesting topic and the message Mrs. Silver brings club members are priviliged to bring guests to this meeting which will be held in the parlors of the Methodist church at eight o'clock.

Following the talk and discussion tea will be served with Mrs. Hal Draper chairman of the refreshment committee. Assisting Mrs. Draper on the committee are Mrs. A. W. Hoge, Mrs. Robert Nye, Mrs. Otto Schiffner, Mrs. Leland Smith and Mrs. W. P. Lee, Mrs. C. E. Parsons.

TWO BOYS HELD TO ANSWER FOR BURGLARY

Everett Cowles, 19 and Charles Spring, 17, of Grass Valley, charged with burglarizing Martin's Bakery in Grass Valley last week, this morning appeared before Justice of the Peace Miles Coughlin for their prelimonary hearing. At the conclusion of the hearing they were bound over to answer in the superior court.

M. V. Crow, who was convicted of stealing tires, and sentenced to a suspended term in jail, on condition that he pay for the tires, failed to do so, and was re-sentenced Wednesday to serve 25 days in the county jail.

WEATHER RECORD IN NEVADA CITY KEPT 74 YEARS

Considerable interest has been shown lately in regard to wet and dry years in Nevada City. On Wednesday the weather charts now kept by Mrs. Jennie Preston, it was found constitute a record for 74 years. The South Yuba Water company being the first to record rainfall. Then it was taken over by M. L. Marsh and after his passing his son, S. W. Marsh, took charge.

The late Ben Preston took over the work and now Mrs. Jennie Preston, daughter of M. L. Marsh, carries on the work.

The rainfall charts were taken over by M. L. Marsh in 1890. A small vessel similar to a teapot was first used to measure moisture and later the modern method was installed. It was found this district has always had a heavy rainfall, with one exception in 1898-99 only 25 inches of rain fell. Last years rain was 76.28 inches while the average is 52 inches. The heaviest rainfall was in the season of 1867-68 when there were 102.85 inches. In 1884-85 the highest precipitation occurred when there were 85.47 inches.

BLACKWOOD PAIR ASKS NEW TRIAL

A continuance for pronouncing judgment on Irl and Irene Blackwood, found guilty of murder in the first and second degree, respectively by a jury last Friday, was granted Wednesday morning by Superior Judge George L. Jones.

George E. Foote, Sacramento attorney, appeared as associate of Attorney William Cassettari, who defended the couple in the trial concluded last week.

A motion for a new trial was submitted by the defendant's attorneys, based on the statutory ground that new evidence has been discovered which could not, with reasonable diligence, be produced at the first trial.

ANTLERS LODGE TO BE INSTALLED MONDAY NIGHT

The big moment for the newly organized Antlers of the Nevada City Lodge, No. 518, Benevolent, Protective Order of the Elks will be next Monday night when a group, headed by Antlers' Counsel, Fenton Nichols of Ookland will come up here and install the officers and initiate the new Antlers lodge.

The young mens' group hopes to have a dance after the installation for the Elks, ladies, and girl-friends of the Antlers.

Fred Garrison will be installed as Exalted Antler and the term will immediately begin with meeting nights every other Monday at the Elks home.

Other officers to be installed are: Phil Angove, Leading Antler; Elton Tobiassen, Loyal Antler; Robert E. Carr, Lecturing Antler, James Odegaard, Recorder and Donald Thomas, Treasurer.

Exalted Antler Fred Garrison has appointed the following officers who will also be installed: Allen Widauf, Guide; Melvin Clark, Guard; Todd Bonner, Sentinel and Phil Joyal, Chaplain.

Bruce Wallace, owner of the Mack mine, was a week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Deeter.

ENGINEER TELLS ROTARY CLUB OF BR. COLUMBIA

Frank E. Ford, engineer and a Rotarian of Southern California, gave the local Rotary club at luncheon yesterday an entertaining account of a recent trip into British Columbia. Emmeet Gallagher was chairman of the day.

H. E. Kjorlie suggested that each member of the club act in an advisory capacity, for a short time before graduation to boys in the high school graduating class this year, giving them whatever assistance they were able to, in choosing a vocation. The boys, themselves would state their inclination, and each choose among the members the one whom he considered would be the most helpful. Mr. Kjorlie stated that other clubs had adopted this plan and that it in several instances it had proved of value.

DeWitt Nelson, forest supervisor, advised that this rain and snow storm was one of the most needed that had ever fallen. Grain fields at the edge of the valley below, he said were already beginning to turn yellow for lack of moisture. In the mountains, where last year there was 19 feet of snow or nearly nine feet of water piled upin the form of the snow, this year, until the present storm there was only snow enough to equal a few inches of water.

"A new species of wolf" Engineer Ford said, "has come across into Alaska from Russian Siberia and has straggled down into British Columbia. The wolf is large and black in color."

Mr. Ford recounted adventures and incidents of a trip he took this summer, which carried from Vancouver to Prince George and 260 miles beyond into the Northwest Rockies. Over an extremely rough road and in a truck they penetrated into a mineralized area, and made examinations of a large placer property. On the way there, he noted a large black animal that looked like a dog, crossing a mountain meadow. He got the driver to stop for a minute and taking his movie camero made pictures of the wolf, as it proved to be. The wolf sat down like a dog and waited until he approached within 300 feet and then ran away in the same manner as a dog. While he was taking the picture a grizzly bear ambled on the scene, but whether he got a picture of bruin also he does not know, for he has not yet developed his film.

Another animal of unusual interest is the mountain carabou, much larger and handsomer than the usual variety of carabou that inhabits the tundra plains to the north.

Lakes and streams abound with beautiful fish and are so abundant that natives do not regard fishing a sport.

Owing to the extreme cold all those who live in the open in Northern British Columbia carry eiderdown sleeping bags. These bags are made for 10, 20 and 40 degrees below zero, and when buying one, the salesman always asks for what temperature the bag is intended.

DINNER AT 5:30 AT ELKS LODGE SUNDAY

A baked pickled ham dinner with Carter and Reed as chefs will be served the Nevada City Lodge of Elks and their ladies on Sunday at 5:30 in the Elks dining room. The bowling committee is sponsoring this full course dinner and all members are expected to turn out.

HIGH SCHOOL P.T.A HOST TO FATHERS AT DINNER

"Fathers Night" sponsored by the High School P. T. A. will be held on Wednesday, March 15. A pot luck dinner will be served at 6:30 and will be followed by a program and social time. Fathers will come, enjoy being guests of honor, enjoy the program and good "eats". It is a fine occasion for teachers, mothers and fathers to get together, its an occasion where appreciation of earnest efforts in behalf of the children is shown.

County Clerk and Mrs. R. N. McCormack and granddaughter, Jean Steger, and Deputy County Clerk Ralph E. Deeble left yesterday for San Francisco where McCormack and Deeble will attend a county clerks meeting.

SHERIFF AND AIDES SEARCH FOR LOST MAN

Chief of Police Garfield Robson was called at an early hour Wednesday morning in regard to disappearance of W. G. Roberts, aged about 73 years, who resided with his son, W. G. Roberts, Jr., and family in the Nivens house. The aged man was last seen during Wednesday afternoon walking toward the Oustomah mine. Chief Robson called H. H. Hallett and they went out at about four o'clock and started searching for the elderly man out toward the old Oustomah mine, city reserviors and also questioned many residents of the district. After a search that lasted until nearly noon Chief Robson returned and called Sheriff Carl J. Tobiassen who took a posse composed of Lester Hubbard, Charles and Percy Hoskins and they searched until noon. Returning to Nevada City the sheriff decided to get his horse and with the three men continued searching until late afternoon. Snow is about a foot deep and brush is matted down. It is feared the man, if he is in the district, either crawled under the brush or else fell and snow has covered his body. While a close watch will be maintained it is thought snow will have to melt before he is found.

The elderly man had been picked up along a trail that leads to the Oustomah mine last Saturday by H. H. Hallett and returned but left his home again Wednesday afternoon. The family is from Oklahoma and came to Nevada City between six and eight months ago.

HI STUDENTS AT U. C. RANK TOPS IN SCHOLARSHIP

A report received yesterday morning from the office of Relations With Schools University of California, covering work of university freshmen from Nevada City high school shows that during 1937-38 freshmen from Nevada City earned a grade-point average of 2.33 which is approximately twice as high as the average for all schools with enrollment between 200 and 500 pupils. The report shows that there only three schools in the entire group with a higher average than Nevada City's. The five year average covering the work of twenty three students graduating from the Nevada City high school is considerably higher than the average of all the schools in the comparison.

CHAMBER WILL TACKLE ROAD PROBLEM AGAIN

The Chamber of Commerce met last evening with President Emmett Gallagher in the chair. Secretary H. F. Sofge reported that the chamber bills, some of them past due, amounted to $140, and there were approximately 65 members. Their dues paid at once would amount to appromixately $65. It was moved and carried that the chamber borrow the $73 realized from its last Fourth celebration and saved as a fund toward the next Fourth celebrated here, for the purpose of making immediate payment of debts.

The road situation between Nevada City and Downieville was discussed. Efforts will again be directed to obtaining allocations from the state highway board to straighten out some of the kinks in the "Road of a Thousand Curves." Members of the committee are Frank Finnegar R. J. Bennetts and F. F. Cassidy.

An auditing committee composed of Jos. Wilhoit, H. M. Leete and Louis Kopp was named to go over the chamber finances. A finance committee consisting of Hal Draper, Robert Nye, and Louis Kopp was named to pass on monthly bills.

A new member, A. C. Presley, Jr., was introduced. Secretary Sofge stated that he proposed to do his own letter writing and would collect dues from the members, thereby saving the chamber small expense sums that were formerly spent for these duties. It was voted to discontinue the rental of the Western Union clock installed some years ago in the postoffice.

The chamber voted to establish a community calendar of events, so as to avoid conflicts that sometimes take place.

HALLETT'S QUICK WORK SAVES WATER SUPPLY

When City Superintendent H. H. Hallett and assistant Ted Sigourney started clearing Nevada City streets of snow yesterday Hallett noted the muddy water in little Deer Creek and decided something was wrong with the reservoir southeast of town. They went out to the reservoir and found only about one hours supply of water left. Continuing on up the ditch it was found snow had blocked the Cascade ditch and flowed over into the lower ditch leaving some debris and much snow which had completely blocked the water. The two men worked almost all day clearing the ditch working back and forth in about 38 inches of snow, until they were almost exhausted, but upon their return a full head of water was again coming from the springs that supply the reservoir. The reservoir was filled again by late evening and danger of water shortage averted. The Cascade ditch that carries water to the Sugar Loaf reservoirs is still blocked but it is expected it will clear in a few days as the cakes of snow melt. Many trees were uprooted and broken off by the heavy snow which is unusually soft and also had a high water content.

Herbert Nile, superintendent of the Nevada Irrigation ditch system found the ditch system up on Deer Creek blocked with snow early yesterday morning and took out a crew clearing it in a short time.

PLACER UNION HI RANKS HIGH IN SCHOLARSHIP

Placer Union High School of Auburn has attained first rank honors in scholarship at the University of California at Berkeley over a five-year period ending in 1937, according to information received this week by Wyman E. Olson, vice principal, from the state university.

The report states Placer and another school from Southern California are tied for first place among the 164 California secondary schools, having an average daily attendance of 500 or more.

The report also shows that Placer is one of five schools in the large group that sent no students to the university, over a five year period, who obtained less than a C average.

The Placer students obtained an average of 1.84 during the five years ending in 1937, it stated in the report. This means that slightly better than four-fifths of the grades received by Placer students at the university were above average against less than one-fifth of average grades.

In the last previous report of the University, Placer stood third among the large schools of California.

The showing of Placer students at the State University is gratifying according to Olson, who states, Placer graduates have also shown high scholastic ability at Placer Junior College and that many other institutions in which they are enrolled.

LAND PURCHASE PROPOSED ON TAHOE SHORES

The campaign to rescue a portion of the Lake Tahoe shore land for the use of the general public will have a good chance of meeting with success if a bill just introduced by Senator McCarren is enacted into law, according to DeWitt Nelson, forest supervisor at Nevada City. The bill calling for an appropriation of $325,000 to be used by the Secretary of Agriculture for the acquisition of land for addition to the Tahoe National Forest in the state of Nevada was introduced February 6 by Senator McCarren and referred to the Committee on Appropriations. The acquisition was approved, Nelson states, but a similar bill introduced last term failed of passage. Two very fine portions of sandy beach will be purchased if the appropriation is made, Nelson states, one at the northeast and one at the southeast ends.

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And What Of The Dependent?

(From the N. Y. World-Telegram)

Perhaps few peopie who contribute to social welfare causes have hitherto heard of the Social Service Employees Union, Local 19, affiliate of the C. I. O.

Such ignorance may be somewhat startlingly dissipated by the announced demands of this union for a month's vacation in summer plus one week in winter for all member-employees; six months' sabbatical leave with half pay after six years' service; time off with expenses for conference attendance, also maternity leave up to six months, with half pay after three years' service.

To many humble toilers in other fields who gladly give what they can to charity the above will seem a dream schedule. No are they likely to ignore the overhead costs involved —particularly in welfare services they have been taught to believe are conducted with a minimum of administrative expense.

As for employers in plain business or industry, some of them might well be staggered by comparisons with such widely different working conditions, vacations, etc., in social service organizations—for which their money aid is frequently solicited. Suppose they dry up.

These are bewildering days. To find even social welfare workers organized and militantly pressing union demands is only a little stranger than other developments.

But it may turn out that unionized welfare workers can become too rash to be compatible with the accustomed inflow of welfare contributions.

Shall we then have strikes to compel charity? — Contributed.

Farmers Object To Wagner Act

Thousands of farmers by petition and letter are urging the repeal or amendment of the Wagner Labor Relations Act "to give agriculture a fair deal," says the American Agriculturist. This seems strange indeed, coming from a large part of the American population supposed to be exempt from the act. It presents the paradox of exempt farmers being involved as well as labor and industry.

The American Agriculturist goes on to say that "Not only are labor and industry involved in this unfair Wagner Labor Act, but farmers are just as much concerned as anyone else. Agriculture is supposed to be exempt under the law. but in pactice this exemption means nothing. Thousands of farmers and their organizations all over America are up in arms over this unfair Act, demanding that it be repealed or amended to give agriculture a fair deal.

"American Agriculturist is in receipt of thousands of signed petitions and letters, showing that northeast farmers are almost unanimous in their oppositioo to the Act as it is being administered by the Labor Relations Board. — Contributed.

"BOYS TOWN" IS STORY OF REAL JUVENILE TOWN

There are 212 dramas at Boys Town. Spencer Tracy was deadly serious as he made the statement.

"There are 212 boys at the juvenile community which was founded by Father Flanagan, and every one of them has a story that would tear your heart out. I know. I talked to most of the boys while we were making exteriors at Omaha. They aren't ashamed for their pasts, but their records would put most grown men to shame."

Tracy, who is reproducing a living character on the screen for the first time at the Nevada Theatre on Sunday, Mon, and Tues, was intense as he talked about the "City of Little Men."

"One of these youngsters killed his own father. His father was a beast who beat his mother, starved his family and spent any money he could lay his hands on for drink. The six year old boy was brought up in the worst kind of ugly poverty. One day, when his father was hurting his mother cruelly, the boy grabbed a shotgun and shot him. Father Flanagan interceded for the youth and accepted responsibility for his conduct. Today he is one of the most docile, happy youths in the community.

"A year ago a lad arrived at the gates of the town, limping on a wooden leg. He had hitch hiked 2000 miles from Seattle Leaving a few rags and his white cat, which he had carried all the way, at the gate, he sought the priest. His stump of a leg was bruised and bleeding and the boy was almost exhausted from starvation.

"Another youngster robbed a bank when only seven years old. He was homeless, abandoned, stole a few dollars so that he could eat. Father Flanagan became interested in his case, once more faced a court of law and was given custody of the child.

"But those are only a few of the real life dramas which are represented in the 212 citizens of Boys Town. Hearing them makes a man mad at a world that can injure t' helpless children. Seeing their happiness today makes a man proud to think that there is another human being who is guiding the paths of the boys in the proper way.

"I'm proud to have been able to bring the dramatic story of Father Flanagan to the screen. My only hope is that my performance will in some slight way approximate the man whom I am representing. It's tough to play the part of a living man but Father Flanagan has given me sound advice and has helped me with little personalities which made the role much simpler."

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AT THE STATE CAPITOL

A. G. Thurman

Your legislators in the senate and assembly returned to their desks in the state capitol this week, the legislature reconvening at noon on Monday, following the constitutional recess. The four state senators, C. Brown, J. L. Seawell, A. L. Pierovich and Jesse Mayo who each represent a part of the Sixth Assembly district and the writer, were among those who answered to the roll call.

During the recess the writer covered more than 2000 miles of his district, attending meetings of organizations and groups and even in covering so many miles we found it physically impossible to visit the entire district, much as we would liked to have done. We expect to visit the balance of the district later during the year.

This week the various committees began to function and your representative found it a real busy week with committee meetings on each day of the week. These various committees will handle the nearly four thousand bills which were presented during the first half of the session. During the second half of the session each legislator is allowed to introduce but two bills, or a total of 240 additional bills.

Speaking of bills, many people perhaps have an idea that these bills all represent new laws to be enacted. This is of course not correct. The majority of these some 4000 bills are amendments to existing laws and in many cases they repeal other laws. On the whole, very few new laws are added to the statutes.

The budget will probably be one of the first matters to be taken up during the second half of the session. Whether the budget which totals $557,163,355, will be approved as it is, or will be definitely reduced your representative cannot say at this time, but it is our opinion that the budget will be materially reduced, and it is also our opinion that taxes are not going to be greatly increased. However this is only our opinion. We may be wrong.

One of the biggest items in the budget is of course the relief approuriation, totaling some $72,000,000. And there are many bills in the legislature which would increase the relief and old age pension load. Some of these bills would give aid to disabled persons.

The writer has received a number of post cards from patients of the tubecular sanatoria of the district who are asking that we support Assembly Bills 608 and 1307. These bills would provide aid for disabled persons, including tubercular ex-patients. To these friends who have written us we wish to say that we will bear their request in mind and do our level best in their behalf. However, we must bear in mind the matter of increased taxes if financial aid is to be increased in the state. For that reason your assemblyman si not committing himself on any matter at present which would add to the expense of the taxpayer. We know the problem of the tubercular ex-patient and have their interests at heart and we sincerely hope that some way can be found to give them aid. The relief and pension problem is one of the biggest problems which the legislators have to face. And it is an increasing problem for the taxpayer to meet. As your assemblyman I want to be fair to both the taxpayer and the needy persons, but I have no sympathy for the chiselers and feel that if the chiselers could be weeded out we might well spend our relief money for aid to such deserving persons as tubercular expatients.

Your assemblyman believes that our relief and old age persion problem should be a national problem and that we should have a national tax of some kind to meet this ever increasing tax load on our state, the heavy migratory influx into our state for a period of time before they can become eligible for relief. In the meantime some one has to care for many of these people and the burden usually falls on the counties through their welfare boards or the citizens at large, because no one is going to see human beings starve.

In this connection we have received several resolutions from the various boards of supervisors in our district relative to the migratory problem.

Speaking of increased taxes, the writer agrees with Senator Jerrold Seawell that it is not necessary at this time to balance the budget and that by proper reduction of some expenditures we can carry on without much, if any, increase in taxes. If the federal government can carry on with a deficit of forty billions of dollars surely the state of California can carry on with a deficit of some forty millions of dollars.

It is easy to talk about increased taxes but it is you and I who usually pay the increased rate. For example the proposed increase in the gas tax of one cent per gallon will have to be paid by all of us who own automobiles. And if there is a severance tax on oil, that will be passed on to the dear people in increased prices for oil and gasoline. So regardless as to whether the tax is a hidden tax or otherwise, it is the people who pay. And your representative is not inclined to want to add to your tax burden one cent more than is necessary to carry on.

A severance tax on oil sounds plausible enough, but once you start this severance tax business there is no telling where it will end, amd we of the Sixth Assembly District have too much at stake with our natural resources to want to see such a tax program started. It may start with the oil industry, but sooner or later it will hit our gold, lumber and other of our natural resources.

If I am wrong in this belief I hope that the people who elected me to serve them will tell me so. I am trying to serve you honestly and to the best of my ability.

MONITORS TROUBLES

The hall monitors at high school have been very busy during the rainy season. The tendency of the students is to linger about the radiators and thus block the progress in the halls. The monitors go on duty at 12:45 every noon to keep the halls clear. After 12:45 all the students should leave the study hall and report their classes. As the students arrive they should go quickly to their lockers and should then go directly to their classes. The monitors have a "student court" every Tuesday, but before the storm the students were complying with the rules that no punishment was necessary.

The storm presents difficulties. All the students must be in the building at noon and having nothing to do, many get into mischief. The students should have enough respect and pride for their school to refrain from this, but there are a few poor citizens in every group. The monitors are LaVerne Willard, Elton Tobiassen, Bob Reeder, James Hunter, Wilfred Joyal and Beverly Barry.

COINAGE OF CENT FRACTIONS OBJECT OF BILL

Introduced at the request of Fred E. Stewart, member of the California State Board of Equalization, a bill looking toward the simplification of sales tax payments now is before Congress.

The measure, known as H. R. 4102, was presented by Congressman Franck R. Havenner of San Francisco and would provide for the legalization of United States coinage in amounts of less than one cent.

The bill would authorize the Secretary of the Treasury, with the approval of the President, "to provide for the coinage of fractional minor coins in such denominations of less than one cent and not less than one mill."

In explaining the necessity of the measure, Stewart pointed out that almost one half of the states now levy a sales tax and that this type of tax applies to the purchases made by approximately three fourths of the population of the United States.

"Difficulties in passing on the tax accurately from retailers to consumers have been encountered in states which depend on the sales tax for an important part of their revenues," Stewart said.

"Through the legalization of coins of fractional amounts of a cent, many of these problems would be eliminated. Those small coins would make it possible to pay the exact sales tax in legal tender, thereby meeting many objections which have been voiced in the past."

Husband—"For the life of me, I can't see why we don't save more."

Wife—"It's the neighbors, dear. They're always doing something we can't afford."

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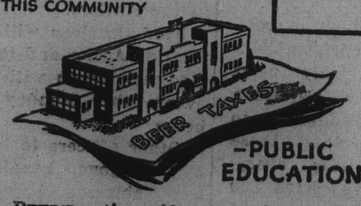

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GRAY SQUIRREL FROLICS IN SNOW

While huge snow flakes fell Wednesday afternoon and several inches of snow lay on the ground a beautiful tree squirrel dashed about the yard and up and down tree trunks in the yard of Mrs. Jennie Preston. Walunts were placed in a box at a certain hour each afternoon and he industriously carried them up to an apple tree bough to eat them. While snow flakes fell all over him. Several robins and many snow birds also flew about under the big pines making quite a chatter.

Mrs. E. J. Haverstock came up from Los Angeles Wednesday and is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Land on Adams street.

YELLOW STAR THISTLE IN HAY SHIPMENT

County Agricultural Commissioner L. G. Lageson on Wednesday rejected a shipment of hay in Grass Valley on account of the yellow star thistle in the bale of hay. It is very important that this weed be kept out of Nevada County as it is a noxious weed. Its stickers will remain in the throats of animals causing much misery and death; particularly affecting sheep and goats. This weed has gained great headway in the Sacramento Valley damaging much alfalfa pasture land and crowding out grain.

Mrs. Ed Martz received a message early this week stating her 79 year old father had died on Monday in Milwaukee. He has been ill several months.

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PSYCHOLOGIST OFFERS ADVICE TO ALL LOVERS

LOS ANGELES, March 9.—"Marry in haste; repent at leisure," is still sound advice according to Dr. Knight Dunlap, professor of psychology on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

Dr. Dunlap has found, over a long period of experience in marital adjustment, that couples contemplating marriage are inclined to postpone the serious questions of compatability until after the ceremony.

"The reason we have so much marital unhappiness is that so many people marry before they have determined whether or not they are really suited to each other," Dr. Dunlap declares. "Marriage is difficult enough at best, without the handicap of misunderstanding and maladjustment. The keynote of marriage is sacrifice and both partners must understand this if the marriage is to be a success."

Before marriage, and not afterward, is the time to examine one's real feeling about the proposed mate, Dr. Dunlap says. One should not marry unless he falls in love, but to test the validity of love before marriage, he should ask himself the following questions:

1. Am I happy in the presence of my intended mate?
2. When not with her, am I persistently wishing I were?
3. Would I be not only willing, but glad, to spend my life with her, sacrificing all activities not compatible with married life with her?
4. Is she the woman whom I would choose as the mother of my children?
5. Do I love her just as she is, all faults included?
6. Are we both open to improvement and adaption to each other?
7. Do we have similar interests and cultural backgrounds, and are we both on the same intellectual level?
8. Do I like her family, or if not, is it certain that I will not have to associate with them?

If the answer to any of these questions is no, it would be well to reconsider the whole matter, says Dr. Dunlap, and decide whether, in spite of the obstacles, the outlook is favorable.

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By RALPH H. TAYLOR

Editor's Note: Scores of bills are pending before the State Legislature to establish new departments, new bureas and commissions—new regulatory boards and new governmental services. This is the first of a series of articles by Ralph H. Taylor, farm leader and seasoned legislative observer, analyzing these bills as they affect the taxpayer.

State government, probably the only major enterprise in California which expanded steadily throughout the years of depression, seems destined to achieve a new all-time high in bureaucratic development during the next two years—unless the State Legislature cracks down on a veritable flood of pending proposals to create new departments, new regulatory practices and new pending agencies.

Literally hundreds of bills to establish new bureaus and add new governmental functions have poured into the legislative hoppers, the majority providing for high salaried department heads or commissions, many carrying fat appropriations and others providing for huge bond issues to finance their operations.

California agriculture is vitally concerned with this threatened mushroom development from two standpoints. First, it is concerned with the problem of increasing expenditures, for unbridled public spending means increased taxation. Second, it is concerned with the problem of excessive governmental regulation. And many of the regulatory acts before the 1939 legislature have a direct bearing on industry.

Some of the bills for new governmental agencies border on the ridiculous; others are exceedingly dangerous. But there are others to establish new social or humanitarian services which doubtless are well intentioned and might serve a worthwhile purpose. The question which every serious minded citizen, whether farmer or housewife, employer or worker, must consider in connection with these measures, is: "Where shall we call a halt; what services should government perform and what responsibilities should the individual accept as his own?" In short, "What part of our paycheck are we willing to turn over to the state to be spent for us, instead of by us?" For this conclusion rapidly is becoming inescapable—that whether government does the job, or we do it, we pay for it! If we turn the job over to government, we must, of course, sacrifice a measure of our individual independence to secure a measure of governmental security. And in addition, we must expect to pay the "carrying charges!"

Here are a few of the proposals for new governmental services—the wheat and the chaff together—which the legislature must pass upon:

A. B. 445, creates an Employment Security Commission of three members at $6000 per year each with power to purchase lands, build homes for the unemployed and their dependents, and to purchase and provide equipment necessary for large-scale farming and manufacturing of products for their use or for other unemployed or for state or federal agencies. Appropriates $15,000,000 for administration of the act.

A. B. 502, provides for appointment of a Wage Board by the governor to regulate wages, hours and living conditions of farm workers employed by a producer in connection with a variety of agricultural commodities for which a program of prorated marketing is proposed. Requires payment of time and one-half for all over-time.

A. B. 626 and S. B. 378, provide for establishment of Poultry Improvement Commission of eight members to conduct an annual poultry testing project; appropriates $30,000 but provides fees to be collected from exhibitors with intent of making project self-supporting.

A. C. A. 23, creates Public Works Committee, with power to issue bonds up to $500,000,000 (without vote of the people), to finance a public works program to provide work for unemployed, etc.

A. B. 238, establishes State Arborist. Board of five members to provide for government examination and certification of arborists. The act does not prevent any person from engaging in arboriculture, but prevents him from using title of "certified arborist" unless properly licensed; fees range from $2.50 to $20 annually for licenses.

A. B. 878, sets up a Labor Education Bureau and appropriates $400,000 to University of California to carry on "Extension Courses for Labor Leaders and Wage Earners." Courses must be "immediately applicable to the immediate practical problems of labor leaders, union organizers, laborers and persons engaged in trades;" labor leaders must be consulted in working out courses.

Next: "The New Bureaucracy—57 Varieties."

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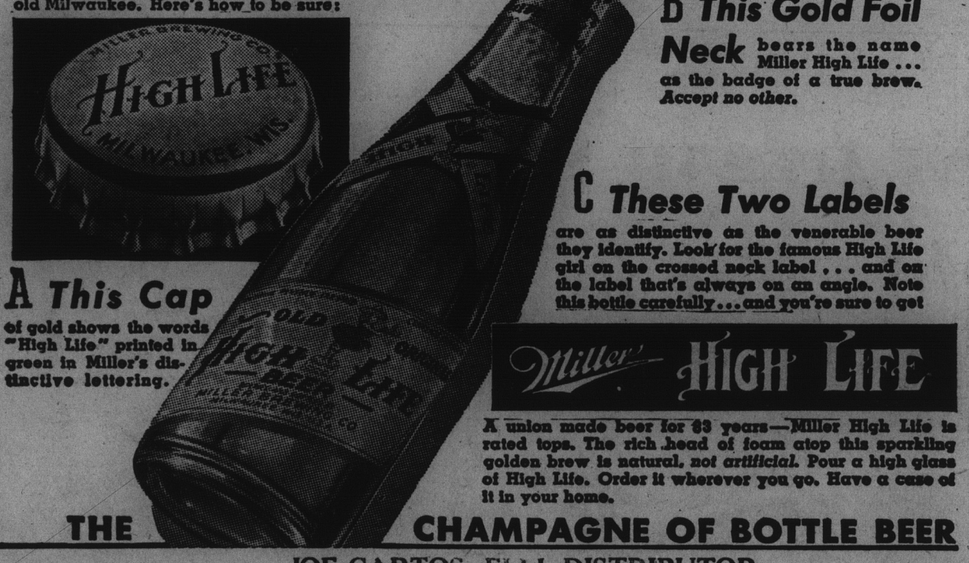

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Forest Engineer W. P. Lee attended a Lions Club meeting in Auburn Wednesday evening. Accompanying him was Don Jackson, of the San Francisco office in the forest service, who spoke to the club on an aerial survey he with others expect to make of the Tahoe National forest and adjacent territory this coming season.

LEGAL NOTICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, GENERAL LAND OFFICE, DISTRICT LAND OFFICE AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA. FEBRUARY 25, 1939.

MINERAL APPLICATION NO. 032042.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EMPIRE STAR MINES COMPANY, LIMITED, whose postoffice address is Grass Valley, California, has made application for patent for the RUBY LODE MINING CLAIM, Survey No. 6234, situated in the Willow Valley Mining District, Nevada County, California, described as follows:

Beginning at Corner No. 1 of the RUBY LODE MINING CLAIM which is identical with the North East Corner of Section 8, Township 16, North Range 9 East, M. D. B. & M.; thence South 88° 07′ W. 1359.95 feet to Corner No. 2 of said Lode Mining Claim; thence S. 1° 15′ E. 600 feet to Corner No. 3 of said mining claim; thence North 88° 07′ East 1359.95 feet to Corner No. 4 of said mining Claim; thence North 1° 15′ West 600 feet to Corner No. 1 and the place of beginning. It conflicts with the Mountain Chief, unsurveyed.

That the lands adjoining on the East, North and West are patented; that the lands adjoining on the South are unpatented. The conflict with the North West Quarter of the North East Quarter, (NW¼ of NE¼) of Section 8, Township 16 North, Range 9 East, M. D. B. & M. is expressly excluded from this application.

Location notice is recorded in Book 24 of Mining Claims, Page 197, records of Nevada County, California.

ELLIS PURLEE, Register.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, GENERAL LAND OFFICE, DISTRICT LAND OFFICE AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA. FEBRUARY 28, 1939.

MINERAL APPLICATION NO. 032053.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EMPIRE STAR MINES COMPANY, LIMITED, whose postoffice address is Grass Valley, California, has made application for patent for the CHARLESTON LODE MINING CLAIM, Survey No. 6235, situated in the Nevada Mining District, Nevada County, California, in the N½ Sec. 17, T. 16 N., R. 9 E., M. D. M., described as follows:

Beginning at Corner No. 1 of the CHARLESTON LODE MINING CLAIM, from which the Quarter Section Corner on the North boundary of Section 17, Township 16 North, Range 9 East, M. D. B. & M., bears South 88° 28′ West 5.06 feet distant; thence S. 1° 29′ East, 300 feet to Corner No. 2 of said Lode Mining Claim; thence South 88° 28′ West 1123.79 feet to Corner No. 3 of said Lode; thence North 1° 29′ West 300 feet to Corner No. 4 of said Lode; thence North 88° 28′ East 1123.79 feet to Corner No. 1 of said Lode and the place of beginning.

The names of the adjoining claims are the Golden Gate Lode Claim on the East, designated as Survey No. 4786, and the Mohegan Mining Claim on the South, officially designated as Survey No. 4786; that the lands adjoining on the North and West are patented. The conflict with the North West Quarter of the North East Quarter, (NW¼ of NE¼) of Section 17, Township 16 North, Range 9 East, is expressly excluded from this application. Location notice is recorded in book 28 of Mining Claims, page 327 et seq., records of Nevada County.

ELLIS PURLEE, Register.

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STORM KEEPS LINEMEN, SNOW PLOWS BUSY

The present storm which began its heavy fall Wednesday night has brought over eight inches of new snow. The all day-all night storm of Wednesday was the heaviest this year. The rain gauge at the Preston home measured 4.70 inches of rainfall up to about 7:30 yesterday morning and it continues to fall. The seasonal fall is a little over 23.45 inches.

All three snow plows are out on Tahoe-Ukiah highway east of Nevada City working full 24 hours. The road is open to traffic as far as Washington Junction where there were 70 inches of packed snow yesterday morning, 30 inches being new snow. The plows are working rapidly beyond the junction but this road is not open to traffic, plows are working rapidly and the road should be cleared to the Emigrant Gap district in a short time.

Snow fell as far down as Dew Drop Inn on the Auburn-Grass Valley highway and Rough and Ready on the Tahoe Ukiah highway. Reports are that there are about 75 inches of new snow at Steep Hollow, 30 inches at Big Bend and 100 inches at Donner Summit, 36 inches fell at Sierraville. Telephone lines in this area were down all day yesterday.

TRACTOR BRINGS OUT MINER HURT IN SPANISH

Robert Gropper, miner in the Spanish mine was hurt yesterday afternoon between one and two o'clock suffering a possible fracture of his leg. He was brought out on a caterpillar from the mine to the junction of the Washington road with the Tahoe Ukiah and from there by auto to this city, where he arrived at 9 o'clock last evening. He is being treated by Dr. B. W. Hummelt.

HEART ATTACK TAKES MRS. CLARA COREY

The sudden death of Mrs. Clara Belle Corey in Grass Valley Wednesday was a great shock to her many friends in this district. Deceased was the wife of John Corey well-known McCourtney road farmer.

Mrs. Corey had been advised of the critical illness of a brother in law in Alameda earlier in the day, and came into this city at about 3 o'clock with her husband, with the intention of taking the 3:30 stage to Sacramento. As Corey drove up Mill street, he heard his wife give a sharp gasp as he neared the Main street intersection.

Corey quickly drove his car in front of the Western Auto Supply Company store, called for help, and carried his wife inside. Drs. C. P. Jones and Harry Benteen were hastily summoned, but pronounced Mrs. Corey dead upon their arrival. They gave a heart attack as the probable cause of death.

Mrs. Corey was a native of Kansas City, Missouri, born in January 21. 1877. She came to California 35 years ago.

She is survived by her husband and two brothers, Paul Richardson, Compton and John E. Richardson, Seattle, Washington and three sisters, Mrs. Frances Russell, Santa Ana, Mrs. Alice Loomis, Honolulu, and Mrs. Ethel Baldwin, Kansas City, Missouri.

First boy—"What was wrong at your house this morning? When I passed I heard somebody cussin' something awful."

Second boy—"Oh, that was my dad. He was late for church and couldn't find his prayer book."

NEW BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE AT CITY LIBRARY

Mrs. Iva Williamson, public librarian reports that in February books borrowed for home use totaled 1851; fiction 1344; juvenile 300; miscellaneous 209; books borrowed from state library 7. Visitors to the reading rooms, 1462; men 445; women 150; boys 490; girls 377; number of borrowers 1109; total attendance 2591; daily attendance 111.

Cards issued 19 adult and 6 juvenile; present registration 1070. Books purchased 80; books donated —— present accession 10048.

The books purchased are "Train's Trust, George Owen Baxter; Trigger Trail, William M. McDonald; Glory Hunter, Life of General Custer; Frederick F. Van DeWater; The Arches of the Years, Halliday Sutherland; Stormy Fires, Florence Ward; Cork's Feather, Katherine N. Burt; Royal Regiment, Gilbert Frankan; Handbook for Stamp Collectors, Augustus W. Dellguest; Dead Men's Trail, Hoffman Birney; Snow Trail, Max Brand; Peacock Place, Luch Poate Stebbins; Alone, Richard E. Byrd; Next to my heart, H. T. Miller; Marriage for Susan, Hermina Black: Danger Signal, Phyllis Bottome; The Ordeal of Minnie Schultz; Helen R. Martin; Rebecca D. DuMaurier; The Case of the Berjured Parrot, Erla S. Gardner; Murder for Christmas, Agatha Christie; These are replacements. Betty Zane, Lone Star Ranger, Heritage the Desert, Desert Gold, Light of Western Stars, The Rainbow Trail, the U. P Trail, by Zane Gray; Just Patty, When Patty Went to College, "Daddy Long Legs by Jean Webster: Girl of the Limberlost; Gene Stratton Porter; and The Covered Wagon, Emerson Hough.

"Speaking of Change" a selection of speeches and articles by Edward A. Filene was presented to the library by the publishers who were former associates of the late Mr. Filene and have published the book as a memorial.

Thirty books were transferred from the rent shelf to the free shelves.

SNOW DELAYS MAIL

The stage carrying mail from Nevada City to Graniteville was able to get to North Bloomfield Wednesday and returned with mail from both towns during the afternoon. The snow was too deep for Mr. Barbour to get to Graniteville. The Washington stage went as far as Fowlers mill Wednesday and returned. An attempt was made to make the trip to Washington yesterday but they could not get to the old mill site. Snow is 70 inches deep at the junction of the Washington and Tahoe-Ukiah highway.

E. A. Von Gorlitz operator of the Keller mine is in Nevada City awaiting the subsiding of the storm in order to return to his property near Graniteville.

Mrs. C. E. Bosworth motored to Marysville Wednesday and returned with her son, Donald, who came down from Redding where he has been employed with his father. Don will remain to visit his mother this week.

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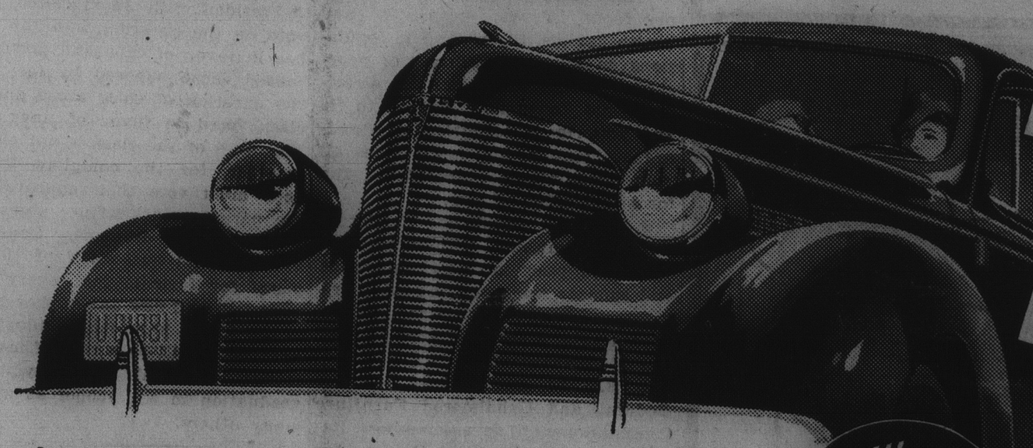

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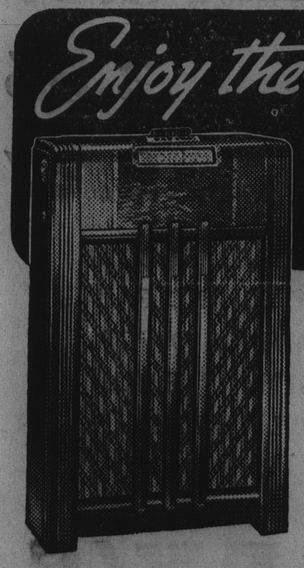

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Jack Griffith, who is with the state division of highways and formerly in this section, passed through Nevada City yesterday enroute to the Emigrant Gap district to resume work last evening. He has been ill with a cold for the past week and unable to work. He visited friends in this city yesterday.

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FORT WORTH, Texas, March 9.—Mrs. Lula J. Wright, 73, mother of Mrs. L. I. Walker of North San Juan, Calif., died here Friday morning at the home of her son, Frank A. Wright. Private funeral services were conducted for her Saturday afternoon at the Lucas South Side Chapel by the Rev. C. E. Matthews, assisted by the Rev. O. E. Peterson. Burial was in Greenwood cemetery.

Mrs. Wright is survived by her husband, H. T. Wright; four other sons, Will Wright of Fort Worth, H. T. Wright Jr., of Wichita Falls, Texas, J. B. Wright of Benton, La., and Joe Wright of Menlo Park, Cal., three other daughters, Mrs. Rena Summers of Corsicana, Texas, Mrs. Troupe Reid of Fort Worth, and Mrs. L. M. Turner of Hereford, Texas; three brothers, J. B. and Mike Willingham of Oklahoma City and George Willingham of Longview, Texas, 22 grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

TO TEST GRAVELS

L. F. Johnson will test the McBride-Caledonia gravel claims in the La Porte section in Sierra County, with a pilot hydraulic outfit as soon as water is available and if it proves successful monitors will be installed for active operations. Debris will go into Bullards Bar dam while water for operations will come from Canyon Creek. A ditch that will carry the water is one third done. It is estimated there are ten million yards of gravel that can be handled in the La Porte district if it proves profitable. The company also took over the Gardner Point mine for development and operation in the next few months.

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LEGISLATURE IN TREND TOWARD BUREAUCRACY

By RALPH H. TAYLOR

Editor's Note: This is the second in a series of articles by Ralph H. Taylor, farm leader and legislative observer, dealing with the many proposals before the legislature to create new departments, new regulatory boards and new governmental services.

Satirically, the charge has been made, in recent years, that present-day government seeks to regulate, license, inspect and censor the activities of its citizens "from the cradle to the grave." But even that seemingly broad and all-inclusive objective fails to encompass some of the proposed legislation pending before the 1939 state legislature.

For there are bills this year to make certain that government is remembered in your will—whether or not you have included it in the list of your beneficiaries—and there's another bill creating a State Eugenics Commission which might have a good deal to say in the future about who could be born—and who their parents may be!

It is not this writer's purpose to condemn, condone or advocate in the following review of the varied assortment of bills now before the legislature to broaden government's services and regulatory powers. Each measure must stand or fall on its own merits, but certain it is that if all or most of the "new department" bills now pending should become law, California would have A New Bureaucracy that would reach into nearly every phase of human activity and that would be exceedingly costly to the taxpayer.

Good, bad and indifferent, here are some of the proposals:

A. B. 1987, creates State Eugenics Commission of 5 members to conduct scientific research and report back to the 1941 legislature with recommendations as to legislation that will tend to eliminate the "unfit" and to increase the proportion of citizens thoroughly sound in body and mind.

A. B. 290, appropriates $50,000 to set up California Trade Commission of three members with power to set up "unfair trade practices."

A. B. 611, creates Bureau of the State Bank of California (in State Banking Department) and provides that "the State of California shall engage in the business of banking and for that purpose hereby establishes a system of banking owned, controlled and operated by the State." Act requires that all state funds, and all funds from state penal, educational and industrial institutions, must be deposited in the new bank. Companion acts appropriate $2,000,000 as initial capital for the bank and $100,000 for operating expenses of the new Bank Bureau.

A. B. 1147, establishes Consumers' Bureau in State Board of Public Health; authorizes a director at $7500 per year and five division heads at $5000 per year each; also a "committee on public health," of 5 members to receive $50 per day, plus expenses, when they devote their time to the Consumers' Bureau. Act provides for registration of proprietory foods, drugs, cosmetics and health devices. Places drastic regulations on all manufacturers of proprietary foods. Authorizes the director of the Consumers' Bureau to fix and prescribe a definition, or standard of identity, for foods; gives all such regulations prescribed the force and effect of law.

S. B. 693, establishes California Youth Commission, with director at $6000 per year, to foster, encourage and sponsor work of public and private agencies to further the welfare of youth. Appropriates $200,000 for use of commission.

A. B. 1212, creates State Board of Bedding and Upholstered Furniture Commissioners of seven members. Requires various kinds of licenses for manufacturers and, among other things, prohibits the giving away gratis of any upholstered furniture or article of bedding that could be used for sleeping or reclining, which may contain secondhand material, unless said articles are first sterilized.

A. B. 1617, appropriates $20,000 to University of California to set up a Psychology Department to conduct experiments "designed to establish a standard test for finding of character traits essential to the practice of law or necessary for civil service positions where character is essential".

Then there are innumerable other acts designed to control human behavior, to regulate business and to cure the many ills born of depression. One measure sets up a State Recreation Commission to teach those who have time to play how to do it; another establishes an Apprenticeship Council to start amateur workers on their working careers with fixed hours and regulated pay schedules; still another would create a State Lottery Board so that Californians who like to gamble can keep their money at home instead of buying tickets in the Irish Sweepstakes.

It's a colorful and varied grab-bag but most of the bills call for appropriations; most of the commissions would get big salaries. And California taxpayers, no matter what they pulled out of the bag, would pay the overhead!

Next: "'New Departments' for Rural California."

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

By JEAN MARTZ

BASKETBALL ENDS

For both boys and girls the basketball season is practically over. On Friday night the girls will play their last game. Margie Keckler's Beef Trust is far ahead, in the tournament but Laura Price's Hoosegow Hermans have been playing hard and the scores have been very far apart. In fact, the last game was a tie. The girls have signed up for volley ball and will meet Monday to elect captains. On Tuesday they will play their first game.

The boys are playing inter-class games. The freshman boys are very small and do not have much chance. The sophomores have many good players and the result of their games will be more favorable than that of the freshmen. The juniors have Childers one of the outstanding A players, and Pingree, high point man for the B team, as well as many fine players. The seniors have Tobiassen, Kopp, Doolittle, Lotz and many others. It is doubtful if many of the first string seniors will play because they are learning trades in town in the afternoon.

REPORT CARDS

Today is the end of the first six weeks report card period in the second semester. The tests have been taken and the students will receive their report cards next Thursday. The seniors await their cards very anxiously because in some cases a failing grade may dim the light of graduation unless the work improves for the rest of the year. Some of the seniors had enough credits to graduate at the end of the first semester, although only one, Kathryn Saban did.

HONOR SOCIETY

The Honor Society held a meeting on Wednesday afternoon to arrange last minute details for the luncheon on Friday. The various members of the Honor Society will bring food, some hot dishes, some salad, and some dessert. Patricia Arbogast, food committee chairman, announced that the menu will be spaghetti a la Spanish, cottage cheese and pine apple salad, fruited jelllo and whipped cream with cookies. The luncheon will be held in Miss Severtsen's room. Mrs. Joyal will talk to the Honor Society about the opening of Treasure Island. This talk will be very interesting and educational. Mrs Joyal, who attended the opening, will be able to present a picture of the celebration very well.

SEATING ARRANGEMENTS

On Wednesday Mrs. Flewellen called an assembly to arrange some of the seating. Some of the students who have dropped or transferred left empty seats and Mrs. Flewellen gave as many seats as she was able to.

CAPS AND GOWNS

After the assembly on Wednesday the various classes reported to class meetings. The seniors discussed the advantages and disadvantages to caps and gowns. Then Alice Norton, Lorraine Harry, Ed Wesley, and John Muscardini modeled four caps and gowns, two navy blue, two royal blue.

President Bill Joyal called for a vote on the question, and the number in favor of caps and gowns exceeded those opposed by far. Then the question of color arose and the class voted in favor of navy blue. This vote of the class is not enough however, for the complete student body must vote their approval and the parents must write notes expressing their opinions. Caps and gowns would cut much of the expense for formals for every girl wants a brand new one for her graduation. If the high school adopts the uniform it will be a step of modernization. They will be the symbol of graduation in our school as well as many others.

Hartley Clark of Camptonville was a business visitor in Nevada City today.

Social Events

Evangeline Chapter in St. Patrick's Festivity

Evangeline Chapter, O. E. S., elective and appointive officers enjoyed a friendship meeting Tuesday evening. About 100 members and visitors were present for the happy occasion. A St. Patricks theme was carried out in the program and decorations. Mrs. Doris Foley, conductress, was chairman of the splendid program and Associate Patron Clyde M. Gwin was master of ceremonies. Mr. Gwin was dressed as a typical Irish dandy with his cane and created much merriment.

Six young girls dressed to carry out the St. Patrick theme rendered some tap dancing numbers, accompanied by Mrs. Mayde Hayes. Mrs. C. E. Bosworth sang, Mother McCree and When Irish Eyes are Smiling. Mrs. H. Penrose was chairman of the refreshment committee and ice cream and cake carried Irish motifs, the tables were decorated with spring flowers and St. Patricks colors.

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